

Competition requires competitors. If the FCC lifts the dominant classification from the Local Exchange Carriers (Bells), it will limit competition to a duopoly consisting of a bell and a cable company. Competition in the American Telecom marketplace will be devastated by such action. The ISPs and CLECs will die, and the consumers will be deprived of legitimate choices. The FCC would be wholly to blame for the travesty. DO NOT DO IT. Chairman Powell: Please consider the devastating nature of this action to our small businesses, the economy and use taxpayers. We need choices in a market driven by competition not by lobbyists. Do the right thing!